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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on P. O. Box 1450 12 Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of: Express Mail No AVENTIS DOCKET NO.: 2551 US CNT INVENTORS: Philippe Becourt, et al. Pharmaceutical Formulation Having a TITLE: **Masked Taste and Method For The Production Thereof APPLICATION ELEMENTS** \*Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing) 2. Specification Total Pages 15 (preferred arrangement set forth below) - Descriptive title of the Invention - Cross References to Related Applications - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to Microfiche Appendix - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) - Detailed Description - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure 3. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets 4. Oath or Declaration Total Pages Newly unexecuted (original or copy) b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d)) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** i. Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). 5. **Power of Attorney** Total Pages Newly executed (original or copy) a. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR § 1.63(d)) b.

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